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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

Market Quotations From the Leading Business Centers.

NEW YORK MONEY MARKET.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—Money on call, steady at 2 1/2 per cent.; prime mercantile paper, 3 1/4 per cent.; sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills, at \$4.84 1/2 for demand, and at \$4.81 1/2 for sixty days; posted rates \$4.82 1/2 and \$4.85 1/2; commercial bills, \$4.80 1/2; silver certificates, 59 1/2 @ 60 1/2; bar silver, 59 1/2; Mexican dollars, 46 1/2; state bonds, inactive; railroad bonds, strong; government bonds, steady.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—The market was booming today and on numerous transactions for the short session, many high record prices were exceeded for the present upward movement to London followed America's upward lead of yesterday and was buoyant on St. Paul's excellent statement for the first week in December. Large interests were again aggressive. Immense blocks of stocks exchanged hands with abundant purchasing orders to care for realizing sales. After a hesitating movement activity and strength became general again, in which standard stocks were well maintained.

For the week stocks almost without exception rose, in some cases the gains were very large, establishing new high price records in the present movement.

During the week railroads which failed, for sometime, to respond to the upward tendency, later joined fully with the general trend of prices. Early in the week telegraph and cable information, somewhat restricted business, the volume of which subsequently became enormous. Traders saw fit to interpret the President's message as not being the bull argument they had discounted, but its better reception abroad thwarted their efforts at depressing prices. There was much in the general situation having a favorable bearing on market conditions. November gross earnings were in excess of 4 per cent. over last year's exports, and surpassed the phenomenal record of last year and bank clearings were next to record figures.

Total sales of stocks today aggregated 492,700 shares. The leading stocks closed as follows:

Atchafalpa	184
Baltimore & Ohio	184
Canada Pacific	83
Canada Southern	54
Chesapeake & Ohio	25
Chicago & Alton	167 1/2
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy	131 1/2
C. & O. St. L.	4 1/2
do do pref'd.	95
Delaware & Hudson	107 1/2
Delaware, Lack. & W.	148
Erie (new)	134
Fort Wayne	175
Great Northern pref'd.	137 1/2
Illinois Central	ex div 122 1/2
Lake Shore	193
Louisville & Nashville	64 1/2
Manhattan I.	99 1/2
Michigan Central	110
Missouri Pacific	42 1/2
Mobile & Ohio	30 1/2
New Jersey Central	14
New York Central	118 1/2
Norfolk & Western	15 1/2
Northern Pacific	41 1/2
do pref'd.	70 1/2
Pittsburgh	173
Re. Ins.	18 1/2
Rock Island	110 1/2
St. Paul	115 1/2
do pref'd.	104 1/2
Southern Pacific	138
Southern Railway	104
do pref'd.	41 1/2
Texas & Pacific	13 1/2
Union Pacific pref'd.	28 1/2
Adams Express	68
American Express	46
United States Express	54 1/2
Wells Fargo Express	29 1/2
American Tobacco	14 1/2
do pref'd.	57
People's Gas	109 1/2
Consolidated Gas	19 1/2
General Electric	89 1/2
Pacific Mail	45 1/2
Pullman Palace	ex div 14
Silver Certificates	59 1/2
Sugar	35
do pref'd.	113 1/2
Pennsylvania Coal & Iron	31 1/2
Western Union	95 1/2
Chicago Northwestern	139 1/2
do pref'd.	85
Chicago Great Western	14 1/2

CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKET.

CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—Wheat today ruled firm and closed at an advance of 1/2 cent for May, and 1/4 cent for December. The continued shipping out all rail of wheat delivered on December contracts and evidence of a decrease of farmers' deliveries in the northwest made shorts uneasy and caused a more active demand. Corn and oats were firm without any noteworthy change in prices. Provisions were strong and advanced 7 1/2 @ 12 1/2 cents. The leading futures ranged as follows:

WHEAT—Open High Low C	Dec	May	Oct	Nov
Dec	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2
May	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2
Oct	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2
Nov	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2
OATS—	Dec	May	Oct	Nov
Dec	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2
May	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2
POR—	Dec	May	Oct	Nov
Dec	9.32 1/2	9.40	8.25	9.27 1/2
May	9.60	9.65	9.50	9.50
LARD—	Dec	May	Oct	Nov
Dec	4 1/2	5 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2
May	4 1/2	5 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2

Quotations were as follows:
No. 1 spring wheat, 61 1/2 @ 62 1/2; No. 2 red, 60 1/2 @ 61 1/2; No. 2 white, 60 1/2 @ 61 1/2; No. 2 oats, 27; No. 2 barley, 28 1/2; No. 3 white, 28 1/2; No. 3 barley, 28 1/2; No. 1 flax seed, 10 1/2; prime hard, 18 1/2 @ 19 1/2; medium, 18 1/2 @ 19 1/2; short, 18 1/2 @ 19 1/2; No. 1 yellow corn, 4 1/2 @ 4 3/4; No. 2 yellow corn, 4 1/2 @ 4 3/4; No. 2 white corn, 4 1/2 @ 4 3/4; No. 2 yellow corn, 4 1/2 @ 4 3/4.

BALTIMORE PRODUCE MARKET.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 10.—Flour—Dull; unchanged.
Wheat—Firm; spot and month, 71 1/2 @ 72 1/2; January, 71 1/2 @ 72 1/2; May, 70 1/2 @ 71 1/2; Southern wheat, by sample, 67 1/2 @ 68 1/2; December, new or old, 33 1/2 @ 34 1/2; January, 33 1/2 @ 34 1/2; February, 33 1/2 @ 34 1/2; Southern, white, 36 1/2 @ 37 1/2; Oats—Dull; No. 2, white, 33 asked; Rye—Firm; No. 2, nearby, 56 1/2; No. 2, Western, 58 1/2; Sugar—Strong; unchanged.
Butter—Steady; unchanged.
Eggs—Firm; unchanged.
Cheese—Steady.
Lard—\$1.00 @ 1.25.
Whiskey—Unchanged.

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MUNICIPAL PROBLEM

Several Matters That Promise Soon to Be Agitated.

IN RELIGIOUS CIRCLES

Who Will Occupy the Pulpits. A Warning to School Children. Daughters of the Revolution Banquet.

The Business Men's Association will hold its monthly meeting in its room on Queen street, Monday night, and will discuss matters of vital importance to the present welfare and future advancement of the town. The organization is one which can accomplish a great deal for the town, and which, as its membership increases, advances in importance and influence. Already some of the most progressive and influential citizens of the town are numbered among the membership.

Among the matters that will engage the attention of Monday night's meeting, is the proposition to extend the corporate limits of the town, a movement that always meets with strong opposition from the outside limits, but who enjoy all the actual privileges of citizenship in a town, without having to bear a share of all the burdens. Still, the extension advocates ultimately triumph in every case. In Hampton, the town limits enclose hardly more than half the actual town, and the town thereby is regarded by strangers as much smaller than it actually is.

Any discussion of the question may seem to be premature at this time, since a legislative enactment is a necessary preliminary to an election on the question, and the legislature does not meet for a year hence. However, the matter is to be thoroughly ventilated and discussed, and the advantages of extending the limits agitated. If the election is to be carried. With the first sign of spring the attention of the town will be engrossed with the contest for county and town officers. A great deal later on the influx of summer visitors, the various fascinations of the season and the short evenings, and the warm weather that makes indoor meetings practically impossible, and with the new autumn with packed streets and the Legislature will overshadow everything else. So, it will be seen, it is necessary, if this question and kindred ones in the nature of public improvements are to be thoroughly discussed, to begin the agitation even thus early.

The question of issuing bonds, the proceeds of which are to go toward paying the principal streets and laying sewer and drainage pipes through the city, is another issue that promises to become a burning one before the new year is many months old. In this matter, too, legislative enactment is an essential preliminary, even to a popular vote on the question. The next Legislature is the last of the century, and if Hampton, which boasts two and a half centuries of existence, is to begin the new century with packed streets and thorough sanitation, the Legislature of 1899-1900 is the last chance to even inaugurate the movement. It is now quite generally understood that the bill authorizing the issuance of bonds for paving and sewerage was beaten in the last Legislature purely because of misapprehension of the proposed measure by its opponents. Several progressive citizens with whom the reporter has talked have expressed the belief that a similar bill would now meet with little opposition.

These three matters will not be allowed to slumber, for they protrude themselves upon public attention. They will never be finally disposed of until they are settled, and they will never be settled until they are decided for the best interests of the town.

PATRIOTIC WOMEN.

Daughters of the Revolution Banquet and Response to Toasts.

The visiting delegates to the State Conference of the Daughters of the American Revolution, which was held in Norfolk, and which was accompanied by the ladies of the Great Bridge Chapter, Norfolk, and Fort Nelson Chapter, Norfolk. The delegates, after a trip to the capes, stopped at Old Point, and from thence visited the Soldiers' Home, the Normal School, Fort Monroe, and other points of interest. At Old Point an elegant luncheon was partaken of at the Chamberlin Hotel. The following toasts were proposed and responded to by the persons named:
"Our Guests" by Mrs. Albert W. Stahl, of Norfolk.
"Our President-General" by Mrs. Daniel Manning, of New York.
"Battle of Great Bridge" by Miss Carr, of Norfolk.
"Daughters of the American Revolution in the Spanish-American War" by Mrs. Russell, of Richmond.
"The Hospital Nurse" by Miss Decha, of Washington.
"Our Wars and Our Heroes" responded to by Mrs. Albert H. Tuttle.
"Patriotism of American Women," by Mrs. W. W. Harper.
"Our Last Re-Union" by Mrs. James G. Penn, of Danville.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES SUNDAY.

At the Presbyterian church today Rev. H. L. Telford, president of the Lewisburg Female Institute, will preach at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. for the pastor, Rev. H. W. McLaughlin.
At the First Methodist church, the pastor, Rev. J. T. Whitley, will preach morning and evening at the usual hours.
Rev. C. B. Bryan will conduct the usual services at St. John's P. E. church at the regular hours.
At the Baptist church, Rev. A. B. Woodfin, D. D., the pastor, will preach at the usual hours.
Rev. S. J. Battin will preach at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. to his congregation at the West End Methodist church.
Chesapeake Methodist Episcopal church—Preaching at the usual hours by the pastor, Rev. Mr. McDougle.
Phoebe Baptist church—Preaching at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. by Rev. E. C. Davis, pastor.
Emmanuel P. E. chapel—Preaching, as usual, by Rev. Flournoy Bouldin, rector.
St. M. C. A. Hall—Address to young men, at 4:30 P. M., by Rev. S. J. Battin. The public will be welcomed at all these services.
ARRIVALS AT BARNES HOTEL.
H. M. Demarest, New York; J. H. Bagley, Boston; A. Tucker, Ann Arbor; Mich.; W. S. Chapman, J. B. Johnson, M. Marcus, Hampton; J. H. Miller, Philadelphia; William Mitchell, Baltimore; Joseph F. Webber, Philadelphia.

CHARITY.

Oh, the world's cruel
What sorrow it can
When heartless words
That leave a bitter
No matter whether just
They are often said
Almost crushing a poor
That is not a bit to
Their life is such a struggle
To meet its daily care
Until it seems their burden
Are more than they can
When most they need
And little words of cheer
Too often it is censured
And malice that they
If we were only as willing
To repeat good as we are
Would we not be more
And others happier still
Let us then be charitable
Give joy instead of pain
One single kindly word
Will come back ten-fold
—Virginia C. Smith, in Cleveland.

A SECRET

When Doris married I allow her a couple of years, on condition that she secret. I am blessed with other needs to whom I desire to allow anything. I like girls, in their way, but they aren't Doris. She is my favorite, from the time to talk. No doubt it was a mother to teach her to be a "secret" before she could do it, and that settled the question of favoritism.

Doris is a romantic young woman with a weakness for writing, and all that sort of thing, some scraps about keeping from her husband; but I like her. Of course, if Harry had hard up, you'll have to tell me about it. "But I don't," she said.

"He hasn't," she assured me. When they had been married a month she called at my apartment. She kissed me and said "Dear old uncle, so I knew she had come to something preposterous."

"Well, madam," I inquired, "my legs and folding my hands like that, I may ask the real purpose of this?"

"She traced the pattern of a pet thoughtfully with her pen, getting rather worn," she said, "the pattern is too small. I shall have a warmer color next time, you see; and—O! I come to prop this up."

"Yes, my dear," I said, "could have told you that."

"I was going to say that quite right about that all mine. It is kind of you, uncle. She touched my arm with a gloved hand, and I patted it."

"I trust Harry hasn't been long," I asked, with alarm.

"O dear, no!" she cried. "You imagine such a thing?"

"Then how is my wisdom?" I asked, "am I going to explain."

"OIL, DEAR NO," SHE CRIED, "won't be cross—or satirical—uncle, dear?"
"I hope not."
"It's this, uncle. You know Harry is of painting, and gets up early and does such pictures before he goes to the city."
"Yes—yes, to my dear."
"Call them beautiful; but he has them at the academy—I'm only jealous—and he can't then often, you know."
"Umph!" I thought she was to purchase them.

"I want you to get an agent, some—with my allowance—while I know nothing about it." I was pining to object, but she put her arm on my shoulder. "It would please Harry so," she pleaded, "and I'll be just as well off. He would be to buy things for me and the with the money. If he didn't, everything we really need. He good and kind to me, and—I do love—uncle, dear. She patted my arm while her big eyes looked at me. I wiped my pen on my sleeve and considered."

"Master Harry is a sufficiently man, without being a great art said, at last."

"It would please me, uncle."
"My dear child, the allowance be spent entirely at your own discretion. It's a good plan—of a good woman." She jumped up and hugged me, until I had to protest one of my clerks might come in.

Doris' plans were duly carried out. They generally are. We bought the masterpiece for \$218. Doris is high glee, and actually stood one lunch out of her small allowance. Strange to say, Harry mentioned the sale to her, though seemed jubilant. So we felt sure he was preparing some grand surprise. When a week had passed, however, began to feel uneasy. Then he called the office.

"I want to consult you about a thing, uncle," he said. "It's a bit from Doris, you must understand."

"Yes," said I, rubbing my hands, laughing up my sleeve. "Yes, my dear, I've said some of my daubs," he continued, with a hearty laugh, "a couple of hundred. It's quite a fall. So I want to do something Dorry with the money."

"Exactly," I agreed.

"Yes," he said, "but not horsehoes"—Odds and ends.

"What was this row about?" said the policeman.

"It all came about," the father-in-law explained, "by some of those cheeky boys throwing shoes at the bride."

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